

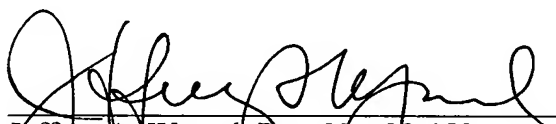
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2005, Applicants elect the alleged species of Figures 1 and 2. Claims 1-3 and 7 may be read upon the embodiments illustrated in those figures. Therefore, those claims 1-3 and 7 should be immediately examined.

Because the Examiner acknowledged that claim 1 is a generic claim, it is not necessary to make an election with or without traverse. Upon allowance of claim 1, Applicants intend to rejoin to the prosecution, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.141, the other pending claims, claims 4-6. Applicants do traverse the imposition of the species election requirement on the grounds that examination of all of the pending claims, considering that the application presents only a single independent generic claim for examination, will place no undue burden on the Examiner. Reconsideration of the election requirement is respectfully requested.

Reconsideration and prompt and favorable examination of at least claims 1-3 and 7 are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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